IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kane, et al.)	
US Serial Number:)	Examiner:
US Filing Date:)	Group Art Unit:
Attorney Docket: 1676 US)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This paper is a preliminary amendment submitted with the application at filing.

Amendments

Please amend the specification by adding the following on page 1 after the title:

Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of provisional application 60/493,089 filed August 06, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey S. Boone, J.D. Attorney for Applicant(s)

Registration No. 29,284

Mallinckrodt Inc. 675 McDonnell Boulevard P.O. Box 5840 St. Louis, MO 63134 Telephone: (314) 654-8955

Fax: (314) 654-3156 2003 September 24

Q:\JSB\Patents\1676 US prelim amend.doc

2003.09.24